Update-Student Charged-Troopers Investigating Threat to Indian River High School

Dagsboro— The Delaware State Police have charged 14-year-old **Michaela Watson** of Millville, DE, in connection with a school threat aimed at Indian River High School, located at 29772 Armory Road, Dagsboro, DE.

On March 9, 2020, the Delaware State Police was made aware by the Indian River School District that a student had made written threats aimed at the High School. Further investigation into this incident revealed that a 14-year-old Indian River High School student had made written threats in a journal specifically targeting the high school. The student had not been in attendance at the school since mid-January 2020.

On April 2, 2020, Watson responded to Troop 5 where she was charged with the following:

- Attempted to Commit Assault First Degree Conduct Created Risk of Death Caused Serious Injury (Felony)
- Terroristic Threatening

Watson was arraigned before the Justice of the Peace Court and released on \$21000.00 unsecured bond.

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